REMARKS

Careful review and examination of the subject application are noted and appreciated. Applicants' representative thanks Examiner Torres for the indication of allowed claims.

CLAIM REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103

The rejection of claims 22 and 23 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Hidaka et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,730,320; hereafter Hidaka) in view of Chen (U.S. Patent No. 4,464,753) in further view of Stiffler (U.S. Patent No. 4,736,376) is moot in light of the cancellation of claims 22 and 23.

Claims 1-4 and 6-21 are allowed (see page 4, section 4 of `the Office Action).

Accordingly, the present application is in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action by the Examiner is respectfully solicited.

The Examiner is respectfully invited to call the Applicants' representative at 586-498-0670 should it be deemed beneficial to further advance prosecution of the application.

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